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DO WAKE UP.

The suffocation of fourteen persons in a shack used as a hotel in Chicago and the crushing of firemen by a falling wall in Cleveland are horrors too frequent in our cities. In all our States are laws which if enforced would prevent such catastrophes, and they are not enforced because officials do not attend to their duty. Further, such negligent officials, as well as the owners and lessees of such property, are liable to prosecution for murder. The non-enforcement of law is the cause, and its rigid enforcement the only remedy. In every city, Louisville not excepted, there are such death traps. Under the law they should be torn down or rendered safe. It is the duty and in the power of the proper officials to have this done. Will they do it before lives are lost, persons maimed and adjoining property is destroyed, or must Louisville also have a holocaust before our officials wake up?

SHAMES HIS CALLING.

"When a preacher goes into politics he gets one foot into hell," said a Washington politician. It seems that some preachers discussing the labor question get both feet in. A divine in Brooklyn, in a sermon on a scriptural text, reviewed the anthracite strike and labor unions generally. His "sermon" was simply a jumble of exaggeration, misrepresentation, falsehood and vituperation. And this from the pulpit at Christian worship. Unless excused because of ignorance of his subject, the reverend committed an outrageous libel; and if his congregation appreciate such sermons they are equally as ignorant and peculiar Christians as he is a "minister of the Gospel"—and this, regardless of the fact that he is a D. D. and his congregation one of the wealthiest and most fashionable in the country. Such preachers should at least follow the shoemaker's advice or let alone subjects they do not understand, and it may be too prejudiced to tell the truth about. Libel is a grievous wrong anywhere, but from the pulpit during divine worship it is a sacrilegious outrage that no decent community should tolerate.

FIRE BOTH.

The Postmaster General has ordered the dismissal from his department of married women employees whose husbands can support them. If anything were needed to show the wisdom and justice of this order it is readily at hand in the developments. One married woman, whose husband is also employed in the department, claims exemption because she and her husband have separated on account of his salary of \$1,800 not being sufficient for their support, and she must rely on her salary of \$1,400 to live. They separated since the order was issued, and it is clearly a scheme to evade it. The proper course in this case would be for the Postmaster General to summarily fire both of them. Perhaps, then, they might possibly contrive to get along on a trifle less than \$3,200 per year. Besides, a husband with a salary of \$1,800 ought to support his wife, and a wife ought to be content with less than \$1,400 a year for pin money.

Newspaper enterprise is commendable, but it is sometimes overdone to the extent of the absurd and unjust. Recently a report was published that the Right Rev. Janssen, of Belleville, Ill., owing to worry over strife among his clergy, was so broken in health

that he would resign and retire to a monastery. This is officially denied in every detail by the Chancellor of the diocese. Again some of the daily papers published the picture of a grand Cathedral with the statement that the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament were to begin the erection of such a building in New York at a cost of \$25,000,000, explaining that its grandeur was due to the intention to make it the church for the Pope, when compelled by persecution to abandon Rome and seek an asylum in the United States. This hardly needed denial, but to prevent the public being misled, the Superior of the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament publishes an emphatic repudiation of the story. These fathers have only recently located in New York, where they have charge of a small and poor congregation, and have neither the purpose nor the means for any such stupendous enterprises as church buildings costing millions.

That Uncle Sam protects his Indian wards is demonstrated in a case pending in Washington. A party named Taylor engaged Indians for a Wild West show, the Government requiring bond for the proper care of the Indians and payment of their salaries. The show was stranded in this city in 1895, and the Indians abandoned in the National Park at Twenty-fourth and Main. Neighbors and finally the city provided for their wants. Mr. Bacon, agent for the Monon railroad, furnished the Indians transportation to their reservation home. He was prompted by sympathy for Poor Lo, though the road subsequently collected the bill from the bondsman. He is now pushing the case in Washington for the unpaid salaries of the Indians. Doubtless, Mr. Bacon's scalp will be safe should he ever fall into the hands of Blue Beard and his tribe.

The committee striving to raise money to have a Kentucky exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition (which our stungy Legislature refused to make an appropriation for) deserve every encouragement and assistance. They are imbued with the proper spirit and start right. In calling for plans and bids they limit the bidders to Kentucky architects, Kentucky materials and Kentucky labor. The Kentucky building is to be thoroughly representative of Kentucky genius, product and skill. It is high time we were demonstrating to the world that Kentucky is something more than a whiskey distillery and tobacco patch, and then with proper legislation we may induce capitalists to dig out our hidden wealth and turn it into money, to the benefit of the Old Commonwealth and her people.

The United States Geographical Survey reports that the richest coal deposit in the Appalachian group is located in Eastern Kentucky. This means that in coal this State is millions ahead of any west of the Allegheny mountains. But it is still in the ground, and is likely to remain there so long as we elect Legislatures "dead set agin" capital to develop it and the building of railroads to carry it to market. It is such stupidity that has kept Kentucky in the rut, for buried wealth benefits no one. With the proper encouragement to develop our coal, iron, zinc, stone, oil and timber Kentucky ought to be a leader in progress and prosperity.

The Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children is a proper organization with a worthy object,

but even this can become fanatical and ridiculous. Because there are cases of child insurance where parents murdered the children to get the insurance money the New York society will present to the New York Legislature a bill prohibiting child insurance. This is far-fetched. Carried to its logical conclusion, all life insurance should be prohibited, for it is not only children who have been murdered that beneficiaries could collect the insurance money. If the law is to prohibit everything that furnishes the inducement and opportunity for crime, we would not be allowed to do much more than breathe.

Now it is reported that the Propaganda in Rome has rejected all the nominees for Archbishop of Chicago; that Right Rev. Monsignor Conaty, rector of the Catholic University at Washington, will be appointed; that Right Rev. Bishop John Lancaster Spalding, of Peoria, will become the rector of the Catholic University; that Right Rev. Bishop Maes, of Covington, or the Right Rev. Bishop McFaul, of Trenton, N. J., will be appointed Coadjutor to Archbishop Elder, of Cincinnati. These are simply newspaper reports, however.

Of course it is not true that the people of one of our city parishes are to be assessed and taxed to raise a purse for the pastor, who is to celebrate his golden jubilee shortly. How such reports originate is a mystery. If such a thing were proposed the pastor would certainly forbid it, for he is neither vain nor avaricious, but just the reverse, being noted for humble devotion and generous charity. Catholics should know better than to become excited over such silly rumors.

The deplorable condition of industrial affairs in England is shown in reports from the dock-yards, until recently the most prosperous branch. Idle men and boys crowd about the gates and fight for places in line, in the hope to be among the limited number given work each day. Throughout England industries are depressed, and there is prospect of suffering among the labor classes.

London and Berlin financiers are still confidently looking for the American financial crash, which they insist must result from the gigantic enterprises Americans are undertaking.

RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. Eliza McCrory, for years a resident of the West End, died Wednesday morning at her home, 1918 West Madison street. She was the relict of the late P. McCrory. Her funeral took place yesterday morning from Sacred Heart church, the obsequies being conducted by Rev. Father Walsh.

John Kenney, for many years an engineer on the old J. M. & L. road and a well known resident of Jeffersonville, died last Sunday. His funeral took place Tuesday morning from St. Augustine's church, the interment being in the Catholic cemetery. The news of his death caused deep sorrow in many quarters.

Perry Murphy, a well known resident of Southern Indiana, who had relatives in this city, died Monday at his home near Prather, after a long illness of tuberculosis. Besides his wife and children four brothers survive him. Deceased was about forty-two years old. Great sympathy is felt for the bereaved family throughout the entire county.

Patrick Rider, a well known young man of the West End, employed by the Robinson-Norton Company, passed away Thursday, after a long illness. Early in the week he was thought to be improving, but a change for the worse brought on the fatal result. For years he had been a member of Mackin Council, and that society will have charge of his funeral, which takes place this morning from St. Cecilia's church.

OFFICERS FOR CADETS.

The St. Edward Cadets of New Albany, the junior branch of St. Edward's Commandery, Knights of St. John, held their annual election Tuesday night at their armory in St. Joseph's Hall. The meeting was largely attended, and when the votes were counted the following were declared elected: President, Andrew Weimann; First Vice President, Charles Troucy; Second Vice President, John Martel; Corresponding Secretary, Louis Husson; Financial Secretary, Anton Zoeller; Treasurer, Joseph Morthorst; Trustees, Albert Smith, Frank Hoppenau and Anton Sohn; Captain, Louis Husson; First Lieutenant, John Martel; Second Lieutenant, Fred Reisz. The commandery holds its annual election next Tuesday night.

SOCIETY.

Mrs. Fred Nobbe will entertain her euchre club next Tuesday.

Col. Mike Muldoon has returned from a business trip to New York.

Mrs. Dennis Shanahan left this week for Philadelphia to visit friends.

Miss Mamie Killen, of Portland, spent the week with friends in Nashville.

John Shaughnessy's friends will learn with regret that he is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Mary Fleming is home from the West, where she has been staying for the past six months.

Mrs. Mary Welsh spent the past week with friends at Seatonville. She is expected home today.

County Clerk Will Semoun and his charming wife have been visiting Paducah friends this week.

Thomas O'Neal, a well known resident of the East End, is reported quite sick at his home on Story avenue.

Miss Louise McKenna has had as her guest for the past week at her home in South Louisville Miss Amelia Gray, of Chicago.

Miss Hortense Pilcher will arrive home from school next Saturday, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in the Highlands.

John Winn, an old and popular Limerick boy, now foreman of a shoe factory at Frankfort, was in Louisville several days this week.

The Cecilia Circle, composed of many of the most prominent ladies of Jeffersonville, met Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Jean McCann, and were delightfully entertained by the charming hostess.

Fanny, the charming little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle, of West Baden, has returned home after a pleasant visit with Miss Margaret Mulkern, of 1621 West Madison street. While here she made a wide circle of friends who regret her departure.

Unity Council, Y. M. I., of New Albany, are perfecting arrangements for a society minstrel show at St. Mary's Hall, Eighth street, on Monday evening, December 29. Rehearsals have been going on for some months, and the show promises many novel and unique features.

Bernard A. Coll, Treasurer of Clark county, Ind., has gone to Indianapolis to make his annual settlement with the State. Treasurer Coll is the first officer to do this, and is being complimented throughout the State for his promptness. Barney would make a splendid State Treasurer.

One of the most enjoyable of last week's social events was the entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. John Sayer at their home, 319 Montgomery street, in honor of Miss Maggie Duffy. There was a large attendance of old and young admirers of the charming young lady, who is a favorite wherever she goes.

NEW OFFICERS

Elected by Branch 2 of the Catholic Knights and Ladies.

Branch No. 2, Catholic Knights and Ladies of America, held its annual election of officers Wednesday night. The election resulted as follows:

Spiritual Director—Rev. Father P. Kelleher.

President—Robert Manion.

Vice President—A. Burke.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mary E. Sheridan.

Financial Secretary—James Coleman.

Assistant Financial Secretary—Miss Mary Corcoran.

Treasurer—Joseph Vetter.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Andy Oakleaf.

Sentinel—Mrs. Maggie Foley.

Medical Examiner—Dr. McIntire.

Branch 2 is made up of ladies and gentlemen of St. Patrick's parish. It has a membership of 385, the largest branch in the order. The members are doing great work and its finances are in a flourishing condition. The personnel of the new officers is a guarantee of further advancement for this branch numerically and financially.

FATHER LEONE RETURNS.

Rev. Father Leone, one of the young priests now living in this diocese but not attached to any parish, has returned to Louisville after a visit to New Orleans, where he spent several weeks.

Father Leone was studying for the priesthood in Italy, when he was called upon to serve in the Italian army. During his three years of service he was promoted to the position of Sergeant. When his term of compulsory service expired, instead of applying for further promotion in the army, where he appeared to be destined to shine as an illustrious officer, he resumed his studies and was ordained a priest.

Meanwhile his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leone, and a brother, Michael Leone, had removed to Louisville. Shortly after his ordination Father Leone followed them hither. As yet Father Leone speaks English imperfectly, but is an apt student and will soon be able to hold his own with the majority of English speaking people.

SISTE ALEXIA GOES HOME.

Sister Alexia, of the Dominican order, in the world Miss Brigid O'Sullivan, who came to Louisville to attend the dying bed of her brother, John Mitchell O'Sullivan, returned to Mattoon, Ill., this morning.

To the Editor of The Kentucky Irish American:

DIVINE SWEETNESS.

Love bestowed in fullest measure
Is the acme of human sweetness,
Prized as life's dearest treasure,
Bearing heaven's joy in repleteness.

True hearts throb responsive beats,
And always delight to make manifestation
Of the high appreciation that meets
"Love for love"—its only compensation.

There is One who for us daily dies
To prove His vast love in completeness—
Jesus, our God, dwells in disguise
In the Holy Eucharist—Divine Sweetness.
KATHLEEN DON LEAVY.

PASSED TO REWARD

Of Long Years Spent in the
Service of God and
Country.

The most Rev. John MacEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, Ireland, died November 26, after an illness of only a few days. In making the sad announcement the Dublin Freeman's Journal said:

A great prelate and a good Irishman has passed to the reward of long years spent in the service of God and of his country. Through all Ireland the news will be heard with heartfelt sorrow that the Most Rev. John MacEvilly, Archbishop of Tuam, has passed away. But among the laity and clergy of his own vast diocese the grief will be as of children for a father. The blow fell suddenly at the last. Though the venerable prelate had reached the great age of ninety-six years, his wonderful clearness of intellect and vigor of body caused his age to be forgotten. His diocese is the largest and the most inaccessible, but he was constant in his visitations to the last. No inclemency of the seasons, no difficulties of access, could keep him from the remotest of his flock. He officiated regularly in his own beautiful Cathedral in Tuam almost to the last, and preached constantly and eloquently from the Cathedral pulpit in English and in Irish. He had a voice of singular clearness and power, and could be heard as distinctly as the youngest and most vigorous of his priests. So abounding was his vitality, in spite of his age, that his death was looked upon as still remote. Mr. Gladstone alone of recent times carried with him through so long a life to the very grave's brink such vigorous use of all his faculties of mind and body.

The deceased prelate was born on April 24, 1817, in Lanesburg, close to Westport, in the County of Mayo. His parents were of the respectable farming class, and it was one of his proudest boasts in after life that he was sprung from the people. From the earliest age he displayed marked ability. In St. Jarlath's College, Tuam, where he was educated, he steadily distanced all competition. There he passed with a brilliant reputation to study in Maynooth, where his distinguished career realized the most sanguine hopes of his friends. He earned the very highest collegiate honors, and for three years was a scholar of the Dunboyne establishment, the most coveted distinction that Maynooth has to offer the most brilliant of her students. In 1840 he was ordained priest, and two years later obtained the position of Professor of Sacred Scripture in St. Jarlath's College. Thence he rose rapidly to the position of President of the college, which position he retained till in 1857 he became Bishop of Galway, where he speedily won the affectionate veneration of priests and people. Later on he was appointed Coadjutor cum jure successions to the Venerable John MacHale, then Archbishop of Tuam, and on his death, at an age even more advanced than his successor had achieved, received the Archbishopric.

HINTS ON STYLE.

Brown seems to be finding its way into favor and with a combination of materials, all of exactly the same tint, it is modish indeed.

There seems to be no medium in the color of dress gowns. They are either very light in tint or else they are black, or black and white.

There is great variety in furs this year, beaver and gray squirrel being brought in again, while all the others, including sable, bear, martin, lynx, seal, Persian lamb and fox, are used prodigally.

In millinery there are soft, woolen felts which are bent into many odd shapes. White hats are distinctive for their elegance in some instances. Ostrich plumes in white or black are sumptuous this season.

Shoulder capes are often seen on the cloak and suit jackets, and other forms of trimming are carried from shoulder to shoulder to enhance the broad and low-shoulder effect. House gowns also simulate the same effects.

One thing is evident among the cloth gowns and that is the popularity of the bolero coat in all its varied forms and despite all the longer coats on the list of fashion. One does not seem to fill the place of the other altogether, so it is a question of at least two coats instead of one.

The street gowns, walking length, are made in rough, iron gray, mixed wool goods, shepherd's plaids and plain, heavy chevrons, which are trimmed with black braid and black buttons. There are some very attractive as well as serviceable suits shown in English cheviot and storm serge, which meet a need every woman experiences.

The woolen plaids are very handsome this season, and every schoolgirl will want to have one. They are worn in warm, rich colors in artistic combinations. Only bright ribbons are needed with these, or a bit of velvet, either black or in one of the colors in the plaid. The new shirtwaists in heavy cotton cheviot are desirable, because they launder successfully and are warm also.

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Of John Mitchell O'Sullivan, Who Died December 7, 1902.

Gone from a world of sorrow and pain,
Bearing the seal of his God on his brow,

Gone where his dear ones will meet him again,
Mingling with angels and seraphim now.

Wide is the gap in the home-circle made,
Void are the hearts which thy presence once filled,

Lone are the walks where thy footsteps oft strayed,
Silent the laugh which with melody thrilled.

Tears we may shed for thy manliness rare,
Fading from sight like the mist from the sea;

Yield we the gift that was left to our care,
Father, we give our bright jewel to Thee.

FRIEND.

ANGEL OF DEATH

Summoned Matthew Senn
Into His Eternal Home.

Matthew Senn, aged thirty-seven years, died at the family residence, 1029 West Broadway, last Friday morning. Mr. Senn was well known for his generosity and kindness both here in Louisville, where he was born and raised, and in Knoxville, Tenn., where he had been in business for a number of years. He was a son of Frank Senn, President of the Senn and Ackerman Brewing Company. Mr. Senn was a devout Catholic and his funeral took place from the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, the solemn services being conducted by Rev. Patrick Walsh, whose feeling words were indeed consoling to the bereaved relatives. The interment was in St. Michael's cemetery. The many friends of the family extended their heartfelt sympathy to the grief-stricken family in their irreparable loss.

NICE CHRISTMAS GIFT.

The various packing houses in Louisville, with the exception of Vissman & Co., have advanced the wages of meat cutters during the past week, and in all probability Vissman & Co. will fall in line.

HOW TO TELL.

If you want to tell oleomargarine from butter, try this test: Take a little bit of the doubtful article and rub upon a piece of glass. Then look through it toward the light. If the smudge forms a smooth blur the article is butter; if light, with bright spots and spots through it, it is oleomargarine.

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